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SUBJECT : SECURITY OF BAHRAINI MINISTER WHILE IN U.S.

1. DR. HUSSAIN AL-BAHRANA, BAHRAIN'S MINISTER OF STATE FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS, HAS BEEN SELECTED BY ARAB LEAGUE TO TOUR UNITED STATES, CANADA AND MEXICO IN NOVEMBER REPRESENTING ARAB LEAGUE IN SERIES OF PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS DESIGNED TO GET ACROSS ARAB VIEWPOINT TO PUBLIC OPINION. BAHARNA WILL BE ARRIVING CAIRO OCTOBER 30 TO MAKE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH ARAB LEAGUE OFFICE BEFORE PROCEEDING TO NORTH AMERICA. AT MOMENT HE UNDERSTANDS U. S. PORTION OF VISIT WILL TAKE HIM AT LEAST TO CALIFORNIA AND NEW YORK CITY BUT APPARENTLY ITINERARY IS FAR FROM FIRM.

2. BAHARNA, WHO IS KEY AND QUITE EFFECTIVE MEMBER OF GOB, HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY HELPFUL IN DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS INVOLVING CONTINUED U.S. NAVAL PRESENCE IN BAHRAIN. HE COMES ACROSS AS SKILLED SENSIBLE PROFESSIONAL LAWYER WITH SUBSTANTIALLY PRO-WESTERN ATTITUDE. HE HAS VISITED U.S. PREVIOUSLY; MOST RECENTLY TO PRESENT PAPER IN NEW YORK UNDER AMERICAN-  
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ARAB ASSOCIATION AUSPICES. HE HAS ASSURED ME THAT

HIS PURPOSE IN REPRESENTING ARAB LEAGUE BEFORE NORTH AMERICAN AUDIENCES WILL BE ATTEMPT TO ACCURATELY PROJECT RESPONSIBLE ARAB ATTITUDES FROM LAWYER'S PERSPECTIVE AND NOT "TO SPOUT PALESTINIAN PROPAGANDA".

3. DR. AL-BAHARNA HAS JUST RAISED WITH ME HIS CONCERN FROM SECURITY STANDPOINT ABOUT VISITING UNITED STATES UNDER ARAB LEAGUE AUSPICES AND INQUIRED IF I COULD PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION AS TO WHAT SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE MADE DURING HIS VISIT. I WILL BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY GENERAL GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT COULD GIVE ME, OR EMBASSY CAIRO, TO PASS ON TO DR. AL-BAHARNA. HE IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE BAHRAIN OCTOBER 28, AND I HAVE TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF SUGGESTING THAT HE CALL ON AMBASSADOR EILTS IN CAIRO FIRST FEW DAYS IN NOVEMBER WHEN HIS INTINERARY IS BETTER KNOWN AND IF HE IS STILL CONCERNED ABOUT SECURITY. WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE SOONEST.

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